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The Story Thus Far...

This is the tale of the Vampire King Duzell and his quest for revenge against the good King Phelios, a valiant warrior who slew the vampire a century ago. Now Duzell has returned, reincarnated as a feline foe to deliver woe to... well, that's the problem. Who is the reincarnation of King Phelios?

Duzell thinks he knows, but he's not talking. Could it be Yujinn, the prince of Zi Alda who has been moonlighting as Princess Ishtar's magic instructor? Or Lassen, the vile-and recently defeated-ruler of Mil Seli? What about Illsaide, the powerful heir to the Ci Xeneth throne who also happens to be part monster? The truth is that it could be any of these, and if Duzell intends to see his mission through, the ramifications will be felt throughout the entire kingdom.

Or rather, they **WOULD** be if the entire kingdom wasn't about to erupt into civil war. A line has been drawn. On one side, Lassen readies his troops for a strike against Ishtar. He is a mighty foe indeed, for not only is Sharlen, the powerful Vampire Marquis, loyal to him, but it appears that the destructive, half-monster Illsaide may be as well. Facing him are the forces loyal to Pheliosta. Led by Princess Ishtar and her faithful guard (and intended heir to the Pheliostan throne) Darres, they include the kingdoms of La Naan, Ci Xeneth and Zi Alda. However, Ishtar was recently dealt a mighty blow when her friend and ally, Yujinn, was seemingly murdered by none other than the King of Razenia, Prince Vord of La Naan's biological father.





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吸血遊戲
主都篇
Act.13

YUJINN!!







IT'S
NOT LIKE
THE DEATH OF
ONE INSIGNIFICANT
HUMAN OR THE
OTHER MEANS
SQUAT TO A
VAMPIRE KING!

IT'S
JUST
THAT...
ISHTAR...



BUT
YOU DO
CARE.



YOU'RE
MIXED UP
IN THIS
RIDICULOUS
PLOT?



TELL
ME, WHO
JUST DIED?
VORD OR
YUJINN?



HOW
SHOULD
I KNOW?
WHY
DO YOU
CARE?

!!









AM I
DREAMING?



DARRES

YES,
THAT'S IT!
THIS MUST
BE A
DREAM!

I'M
GOING TO
WAKE UP, AND
YUJINN WILL
BE ALIVE WITH
SOME KIND
OF BIZARRE
PLAN...



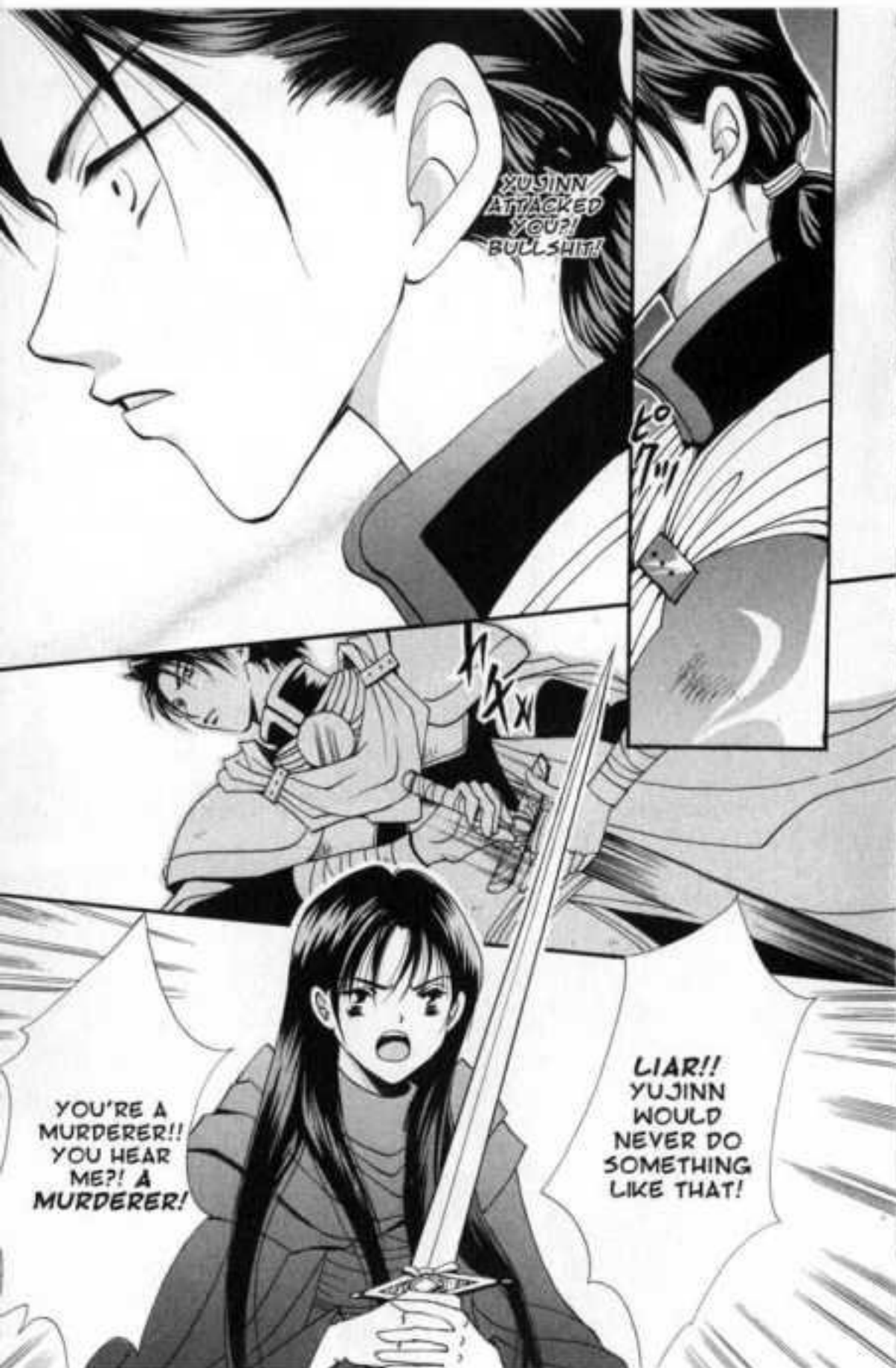
YUJINN!!!
SOB!!



WHAT IS
GOING
ON HERE?



NO!
IT CAN'T
BE!





WHAT ABOUT WORD?

WHAT'S NOT RIGHT?



VORD.
MY
VORD

HOLD
IT,
PRIN-
CESS!

KING
OR NOT,
I'M
GOING
TO CUT
OUT HIS
LYING
TONGUE!

THIS
ISN'T
RIGHT

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WHY
WOULD THE
KING OF
RAZENIA AND
YUJINN BE
HACKING
IT OUT IN
LASSEN'S
ROOM?

LATER
WE FOUND
OUT THAT
...

...IT WAS
LASSEN'S
ROOM THEY
WERE IN!

WE
ASKED
AROUND
...

...BUT
NO ONE
HAD SEEN
LASSEN
GO IN OR
OUT!



HE'S
WATCHING
OVER THE
BODY.




SO,
YUJINN
IS GONE.
WHERE IS
DARRES?



ALL I
WANTED
...

...WAS
TO SEE
MY SON...
JUST ONCE
MORE.





"FOR THE
GOOD OF THE
COUNTRY."

"KILL THE
KING. YOU
HAVE TO."

"AS HIS PERSONAL
HEALER, I KNOW THE
KING BETTER THAN
ANYONE."



BUT
NOW
...



THE
KING'S BEEN
ACTING SO
STRANGE
LATELY. LAST
NIGHT HE SAID
IT WAS HIS
OWN FAULT!

THIS
MEANS
WAR FOR
SURE!

FATHER
...

LAST
NIGHT,
I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
CRAZY WHEN
YOU TOLD
ME THE KING
WASN'T
HIMSELF.



"BUT
THAT'S
NOT THE
KING."




HALT!
IN THE
NAME
OF THE
KING!

WERE
YOU
SERIOUS?



吸血遊戯
主都篇
Act.14





YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN TO FIGHT WHEN THE ODDS ARE AGAINST YOU. WAIT UNTIL YOU HAVE THE ADVANTAGE.



BUT DON'T THEY HURT?




WRONG.

THAT'S CUTE. YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT ME.




...THEN I'M GOING TO HAVE TO DO IT!

I NEED YOU TO CRUSH PHELIOSTA. IF YOU GET YOUR SILLY SELF KILLED FIRST...



YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE MORE CAREFUL.



HE IS A VAMPIRE KING, YOU KNOW. THE MOST POWERFUL OF THE UNDEAD.

AND IT WAS MIDNIGHT



TSK! TSK! LOOK WHAT THE CAT DRAGGED IN.

He really put you through the wringer



THESE WOUNDS

...WILL QUICKLY HEAL.



...PHELIO-
STA WON'T
STAND A
CHANCE!

WITH
RAZENIA'S
FORCES
LED BY
THE MIGHTY
ILL SAIDE,
THE "HOLY
WARRIOR"
...

IT'LL
BE FUN,
NO?



SIR
VORD!

GET
BACK!
NOW!



YOU
AND WHAT
ARMY?

DOES
LASSEN STILL
THINK HE CAN
RALLY MIL-
SEII TO HIS
BANNER?

THERE'S
NO ONE
LEFT
LOYAL TO
HIM. YUJINN
MADE SURE
OF THAT.



REALLY?



HE SAID
EXACTLY
WHAT LORD
LASSEN
TOLD ME HE
WOULD...



THAT'S
WHY WE'RE
IN RAZENIA,
SILLY. TO
BORROW
THEIR ARMY.



IT DIDN'T MATTER WHICH ONE OF US WAS KILLED. YUUJEL, MYSELF, THE KING. ANY OF US OF WOULD BE...

...ENOUGH TO SPARK A WAR.

ALL YOUR
STUDYING
MUST HAVE
EXHAUSTED
YOU. YOU
SHOULD LIE
DOWN.



DON'T BE
STUPID,
PRINCE VORD!
YOU CAN'T
THROW YOUR
LIFE AWAY
YET! ISHTAR
AND DARRES
STILL NEED
YOU!

HE'S
RIGHT.
WAIT, DID
HE JUST
CALL ME
PRINCE
VORD...?

!



KILL
HIM!

GALAHAD!
STOP
HIM!



DOCTOR,
SEE IF
YOU CAN
HELP
THAT
POOR
YOUNG
MAN.



...ARE
DANGEROUS.
TO EVERY-
ONE.

HIS
DELU-
SIONS



LOCK
HIM UP! FOR
HIS OWN
PROTECTION!





SILLY
VORD



WELL, HE
DID DRAW
HIS SWORD
IN THE
THRONE
ROOM.
THAT'S
KIND OF A
NO-NO.



...SO HE'LL
BE AS SAFE
AS HE'D BE
WITH US.

GALAHAD'S
FATHER IS IN
CHARGE OF
HIM...

I
WOULDN'T
WORRY
TOO MUCH
ABOUT
VORD.



YEP.

THEY
TOOK VORD
PRISONER?!









NOW I
HAVE TO
PROTECT...

...THE KINGDOM OF
PHELIOSTA...



...FROM
WHAT
LIES
AHEAD.





I DON'T
DOUBT
THAT.



I HAVE A
FEELING THAT
ALL OF OUR
POWERS ARE
ABOUT TO BE
TESTED.



TELL
ME...

...ABOUT
YOUR FATHER,
THE KING OF
RAZENIA.



DON'T
START.

DO
YOU VAMPIRES
EVEN HAVE
FAMILIES?



I'M
NOT TALKING
ABOUT YOUR
FOOLISH STUNT
IN THE THRONE
ROOM.



THERE'S A
LEGSARAM ON
EVERY WALL IN
THIS CASTLE...

...AND A
COUPLE OF WARD-
ING RUELLES THAT
SHOULD TURN ANY
VISITING DEMON
TO DUST.



WATCH
OVER
ISHTAR,
PUZELL.

BUT
SINCE THEY
DON'T SEEM TO
BE BOTHERING
YOU, I'D LIKE
TO ASK YOU A
FAVOR.



I'LL
DO MY BEST.
BUT ALL THE
DECORATIONS
DO DAMPEN MY
POWERS.



吸血遊戲
主都篇
Act.15



YOUR
FATHER, THE
KING OF RA-
ZENIA, ISN'T
HIMSELF. IN
FACT, I'M
NOT SURE
WHO HE IS...



WHAT
ARE
YOU
SAYING?

YOUR
DEAR...

...OL'
DAD IS
POSSESSED.



SO
YOU'RE
TELLING
ME...

...THAT THE
KING THAT
ATTACKED
ME, AND
WHO KILLED
YUJINN, ISN'T
REALLY MY
FATHER?



I DON'T
KNOW BY
WHOM. ANY
IDEAS?



HOLD
ON A
SECOND!



BACK UP!
WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?



!



RIGHT.
SOMEONE
ELSE IS IN
THE DRIVER'S
SEAT. WE
NEED TO FIND
OUT WHO
IT IS.



IT'S
NOT YOUR
FAULT.



PUP-
PET
...



SO WHAT
YOU'RE SAY-
ING IS THAT
THE KING OF
RAZENIA MADE
A DEAL WITH A
VAMPIRE...

...PROBABLY
SHARLEN,
WHO SAVED
HIS LIFE...

...AND IN
RETURN
MADE
THE KING
HIS PUP-
PET?



I
GUESS
THEN I
CAN STOP
FEELING
SILLY...

...FOR
GETTING
SCHOOLED
BY AN OLD
MAN.

DO YOU
SUPPORT
THIS MAN
WHO CLAIMS
TO BE YOUR
COUSIN?

THE
PRINCESS'
FORMER
BODY-
GUARD?



!!
Cup



...IT'S
TOO LATE,
BECAUSE HE'S
SOMEONE
ELSE!

I WAIT MY
WHOLE LIFE
TO MEET THE
MAN WHO
ABANDONED
ME!

AND
THEN WHEN
I FINALLY
DO...



I
CAN
UNDER-
STAND
...

...WHY A
DESPERATE
HUMAN WOULD
TAKE A
VAMPIRE'S
BAIT.

BUT
SHARLEN IS
COMPLETELY
OUT OF HIS
MIND...

!!



BASICALLY.
I DON'T
THINK THE
KING IS A
VAMPIRE.

SHARLEN
HAS A
PROBLEM
WITH THAT.

OR SO
I'VE
BEEN
TOLD.

HIS
HUMAN
BLOOD
MAKES
HIM VERY
POWERFUL.
BUT IT IN-
TERFERES
WITH
SOME
OF A
VAMPIRE'S
POWERS.



TWO
SPIRITS IN
ONE BODY
...



WE HAVE
ORDERS
TO MOVE
YOU TO
THE NORTH
TOWER.

PRINCE
VORD!

...OF A KING
WHOSE COUN-
TRY IS ABOUT
TO GO TO
WAR WITH
PHELIOSTA.

SO WHAT
WE'VE GOT
IS A LOONY
VAMPIRE
PULL-
ING THE
STRINGS...





YOU ONLY WANTED TO FIGHT DUZELL WHEN YOU THOUGHT HE WANTED YOU DEAD.

I THINK I UNDERSTAND.

AND MAYBE ...

...YOU WANTED HIM TO KILL YOU, DIDN'T YOU?



BUT IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LEAD OR FOLLOW ...

...THEN GET THE HELL OUT OF THE WAY.

I'M SURE LASSEN'S ALREADY REALIZED THAT HE CAN'T RELY ON YOU.

YOU'RE STILL THE FIRST CHOICE TO LEAD THE ATTACK.



WHAT?



LASSEN WANTS ME TO LEAD RAZENIA'S ARMY AGAINST PHELIOSTA.

OH, THAT.



THEN YOU'D BE IN A PINCH, WOULDN'T YOU? WITHOUT ILLSAIDE TO DO YOUR DIRTY WORK FOR YOU.



BUT I DON'T THINK...



...THIS IS MY FIGHT TO FINISH.

I DIDN'T START IT.



WHY ARE
YOU MIXED
UP IN ALL
THIS?

WHAT
IS IT
THAT
YOU
WANT?

WHAT
ABOUT YOU,
SHARLEN?



I'D
LOVE TO
STAY AND
CHAT...

...BUT
PRINCESS
ISHTAR HAS
REQUESTED
AN OFFICIAL
AUDIENCE.
CAN'T KEEP
HER WAIT-
ING.



YOU
MEAN... I
SHOULD
RUN AND
HIDE?

IF YOU
WANT A GIRL,
TAKE HER FROM
HER MAN.


IF YOU
WANT A COUNTRY,
WELL, THAT'S JUST
AS EASY.

I HAVE
TO SAY,
I ADMIRE
LASSEN'S
PHILOSOPHY.
HE DOESN'T
LET RIGHT OR
WRONG GET
IN THE WAY...

...OF
WHAT HE
WANTS.

FORTUNE
REWARDS MEN
LIKE HIM.


I WON-
DER
...



IF I
HAD TO GUESS
WHO PHELIOS'
REINCARNATION
IS, I'D HAVE
TO SAY...

WHAT IF I
DIDN'T MEET
ISHTAR?

WHAT IF
I'D KNOWN
PHELIOS
BETTER?




...IT'S
PROBABLY...



!




IT CAN'T BE
AN ACCIDENT THAT
PHELIOS' GREAT-
GRANDDAUGHTER
WAS THE FIRST
PERSON I MET
WHEN I CAME
BACK TO THIS
WORLD.



...IT STILL MUST
HAVE BEEN THE
HAND OF FATE
AT WORK.

EVEN THOUGH
SHE WASN'T HIS
REINCARNATION...




ANYWAY,
I'LL TRY AND
WORK THINGS
OUT WITH HIM.
PLAY PEACE-
MAKER.

HE
HASN'T
COMPLETELY
LOST IT, HAS
HE?

HIS
ADVISORS
WON'T LET
HIM ACT
FOOLISHLY.




THAT'S
MY JOB.
MY DUTY.



DUZELL
...



I'M
GOING
TO FACE
THE
KING OF
RAZE-
NIA.



HE'S
NOT IN
HIS RIGHT
MIND, IS
HE?



BE
CARE-
FUL, HE
ISN'T
REALLY
...



NEVER
MIND.
GO ON.



KEEP
AN EYE
ON
DARRES.

OH, DUZ-
IE, CAN
YOU DO
SOME-
THING
FOR ME?



EH?

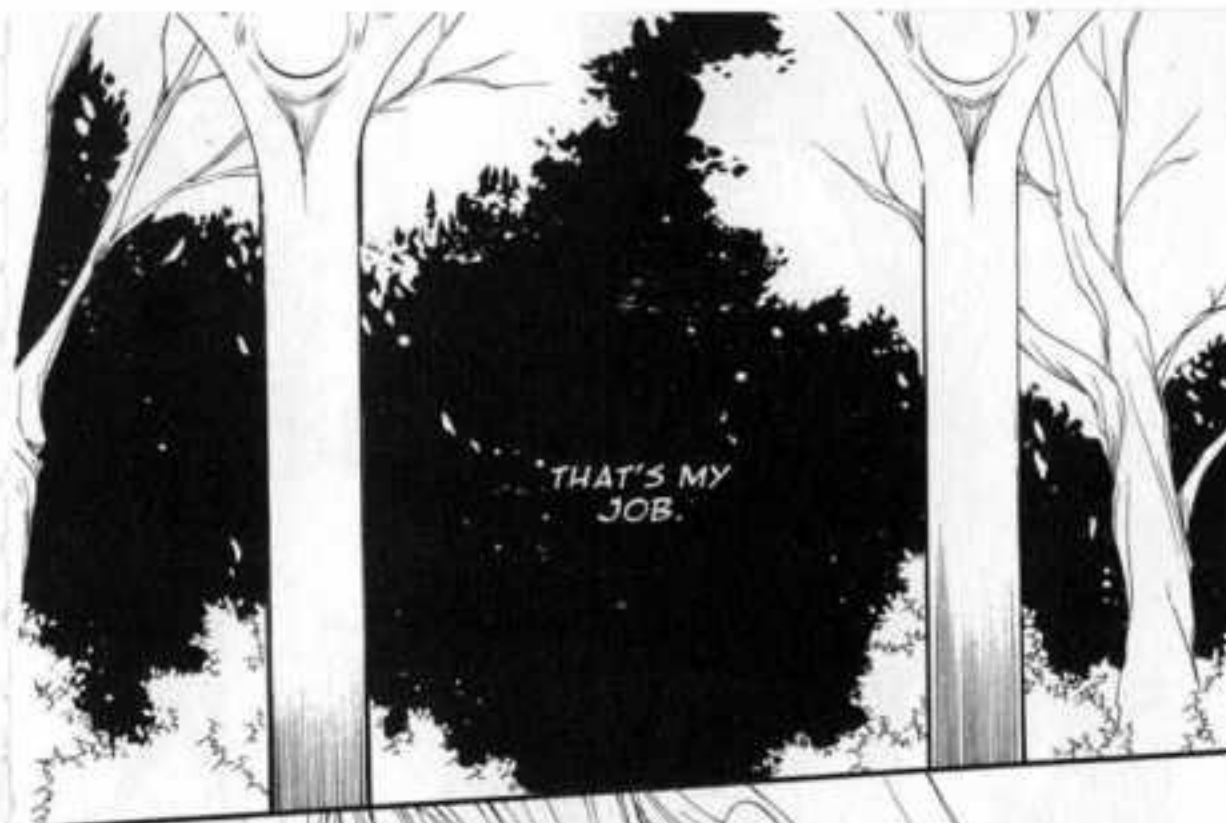


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I KNEW
HE'D INSIST
ON COMING
WITH ME IF
I TOLD HIM
ABOUT THIS
MEETING,
BUT IT'S TOO
DANGEROUS.
SO I KIND OF
HAD TO LIE
TO HIM...



ISHTAR...
WAIT!



THAT'S MY
JOB.



MY
DUTY.




I
PROMISED
TO PROTECT
YOU.



THE
FUNNY
PART
IS THAT
LASSEN...

...WHO'S
DONE MORE
RESEARCH
THAN ANY-
ONE ABOUT
ST. PHE-
LIOS...

...IS
SAYING
THAT HE
THINKS HE
MIGHT BE
PHELIOS'
REINCARN-
TION.
LASSEN!




BUT I
NEVER EVEN
CONSIDERED
THAT HE MIGHT
BE REINCAR-
NATED...

...OUTSIDE
OF THE
IMMEDIATE
ROYAL
FAMILY.

.....
?!



I
STOPPED
CARING WHO
PHELIOS'
REINCARN-
TION IS.



DARRES
CAN'T DO
HIS JOB,
IF YOU'RE
WORRIED
ABOUT
PROTECTING
YOUR GUARD!



AT
FIRST
...



...I WAS
SURE THAT
ISHTAR WAS
ST. PHELIOS'
REINCARN-
TION.



#11





OH,
HI!



YOUR
MAJESTY'S
RECENT
RECOVERY
IS NOTHING
SHORT OF A
MIRACLE.

BUT
THIS ELIXIR
WILL PRE-
VENT ANY
RELAPSE.

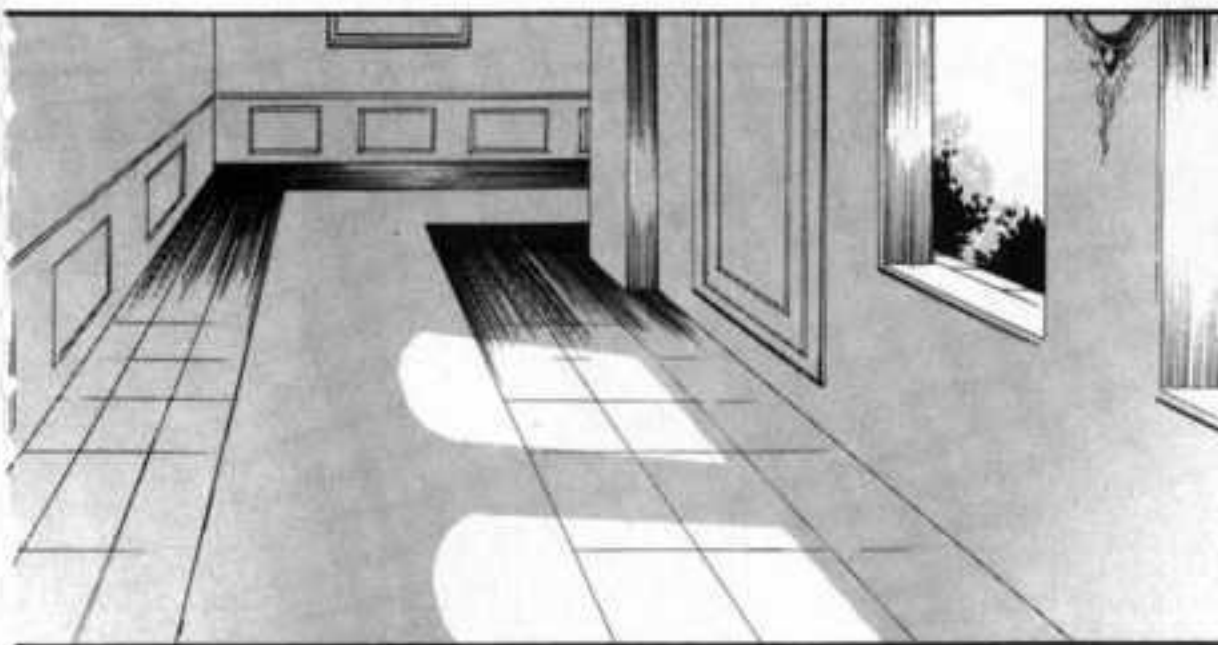
I THOUGHT
I'D FIGURED OUT
HOW TO WIGGLE
PAST YOU!

Hee hee!
You got
me!



DON'T
THINK
THAT
AFTER
ALL THIS
TIME...

...I DON'T
KNOW WHEN
YOU'RE UP
TO SOME-
THING.





吸血遊戲
主都篇
Act.16



I DON'T
WANT YOU
TAKING ANY
RISKS.

BECAUSE
I'D RATHER
DIE THAN
LOSE YOU,
TOO.

DARRES!
WE'RE
ABOUT
TO GET
IN OVER
OUR
HEADS.

LET'S
GO.

OF COURSE
IT IS.



BUT THIS
ELIXIR WILL
PREVENT
ANY
RELAPSE.

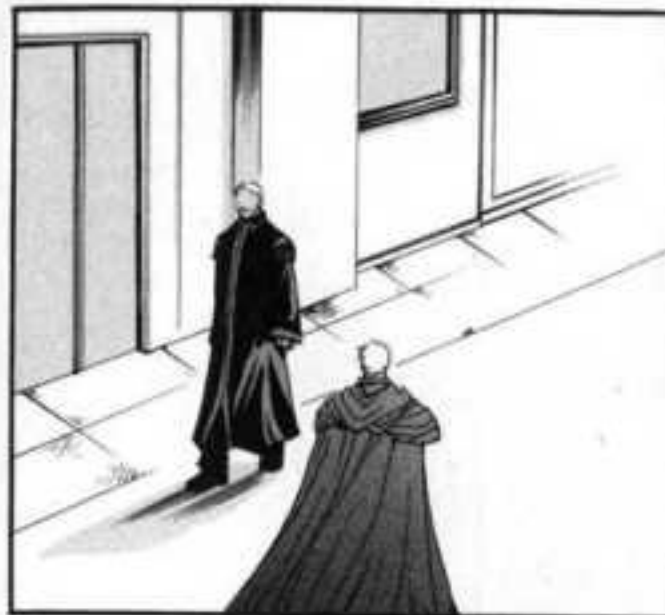
YOUR
MAJESTY'S
RECENT
RECOVERY
IS NOTHING
SHORT
OF A
MIRACLE.

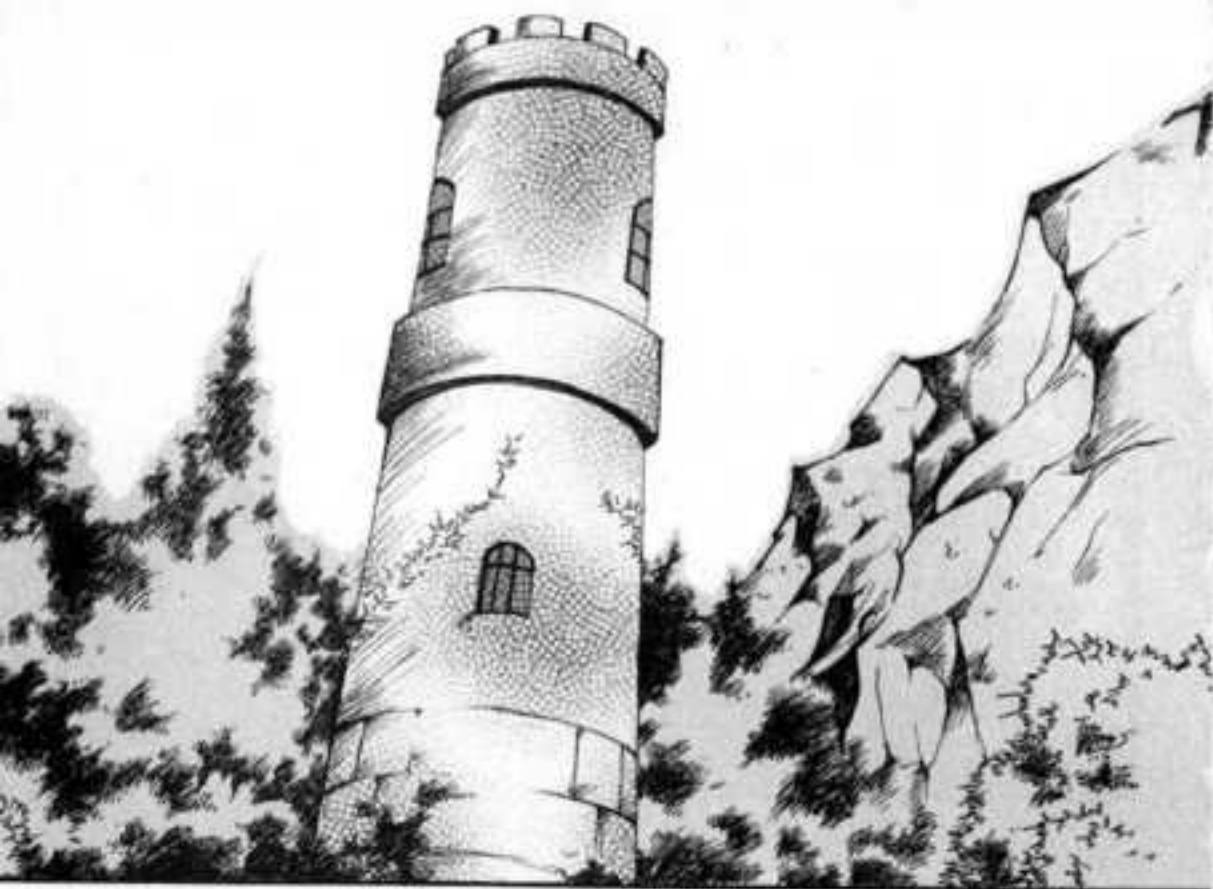


IF HE THINKS
I'M GOING
DOWN THAT
EASILY...



IS IT...
POISON?





IS
THIS ALL
SOME
KIND OF
GAME
TO YOU?



WHY
ARE YOU
DOING
THIS?



HE
IS MY
KING,
AFTER
ALL.



AND
I'M A
HEALER,
NOT A
KILLER.



I
COULDN'T
GO
THROUGH
WITH IT.



MY
JOB HAS
BEEN TO KEEP
HIM WELL...

...AND AT
THE LAST
MOMENT,
MY HAND
SHOOK.



YOU
BASTARD!!



EN-
LIGHTEN
ME.

IT
WAS BUILT
FOR A QUEEN
WHO WAS
PREGNANT
WITH TWINS.



...THEY
PAWNED
YOU OFF ON
LADY RAMIA.
TELL ME,
VORD, DO
YOU KNOW
WHY THIS
TOWER WAS
BUILT?



YOU'RE
ONE TO
TALK.
YOUR
PARENTS
WERE SO
ASHAMED
OF YOU
...



AND YOU,
ISHTAR,
AND
DARRES...

...ARE IN
MY WAY.

SIMPLE.
I WANT
PHELIOSTA.



IT'S
THAT
SIMPLE.
ANY OTHER
QUES-
TIONS?

YUUGEL...
HE WAS
IN YOUR
WAY, TOO
...



SO I
GUESS
YOU'RE
KIND OF A
BASTARD
YOUR-
SELF, EVIL
TWIN.

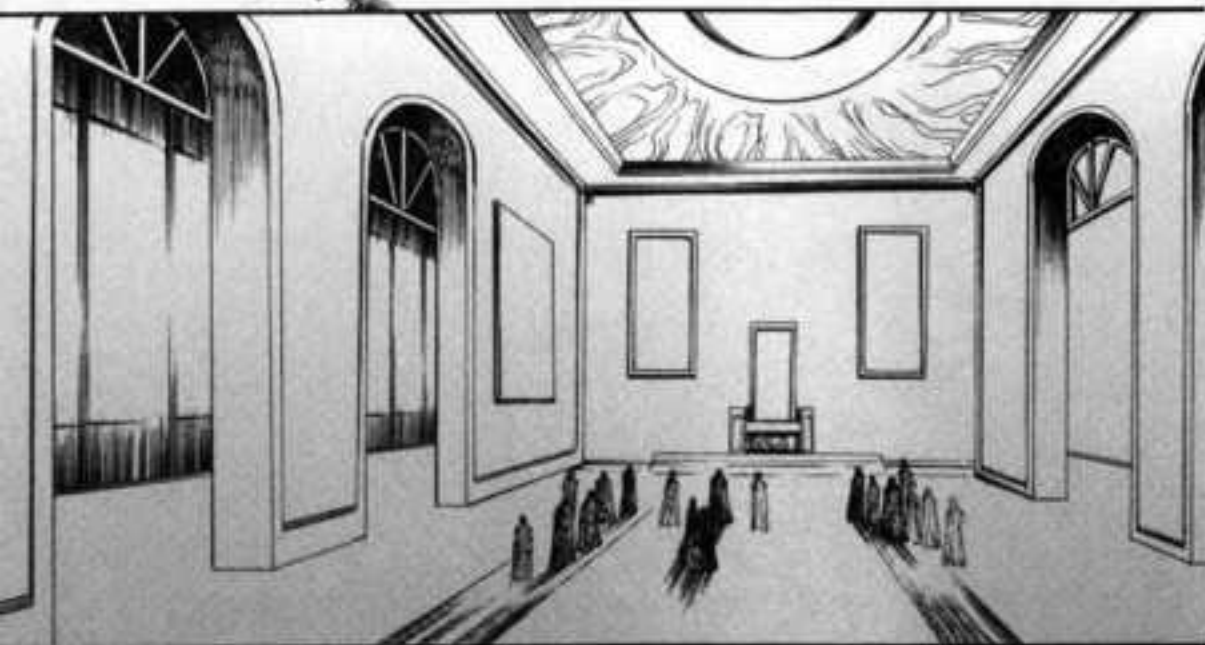


THE
HOLIEST
WARDING RUELLES
AND LEGSARAM
CHARMS WERE LAID
IN ITS FOUNDATION
AND HUNG IN HER
CHAMBERS.

BUT
AFTER THE
BABIES WERE
BORN, THEIR
CHIEF RETAIN-
ERS WEREN'T
CONVINCED
THAT THEY HAD
SUCCEEDED.

THEY
WERE TRYING
TO CREATE AN
IMPENETRABLE
BARRIER AGAINST
EVIL SPIRITS.
THAT WAY THEY
COULD KEEP THE
YOUNGER TWIN.

SO
THEY HAD
TO GIVE UP
THEIR YOUNGEST
BABY, THE ONE
THAT WAS SUP-
POSED TO BE
POSSESSED BY
EVIL SPIRITS.





MOST
HONORED KING
OF RAZENIA,
I MUST ASK
YOU ABOUT
THE DEATH OF
MY VALUED
SERVANT
AND KINSMAN
YUUJEL.



THE
WHELP
WHO
ATTACKED
ME?

AS I
ALREADY
EXPLAINED
...



I WON'T
FORGIVE HIM,
BUT I'LL
LISTEN TO HIS
SIDE OF THE
STORY.



I DON'T
CARE
WHAT
HIS
REASONS
WERE.
I DON'T
CARE
THAT
HE'S A
KING.
I WON'T
EVER
FORGIVE
HIM FOR
KILLING
YUJINN.

PRINCESS
ISHTAR
...



IT'S
ABOUT YOUR
GREAT-
GRANDFATHER,
ST. PHELIOS.



THERE'S
SOMETHING THAT
I'VE ALWAYS
WANTED TO
ASK YOU.



LAST
NIGHT THE
KING SAID
HE WAS RESPON-
SIBLE
FOR THE
FIGHT
...



...HE TOOK
LEAVE OF HIS
SENSES AND
ATTACKED
ME.

I
KILLED HIM
IN SELF-
DEFENSE.

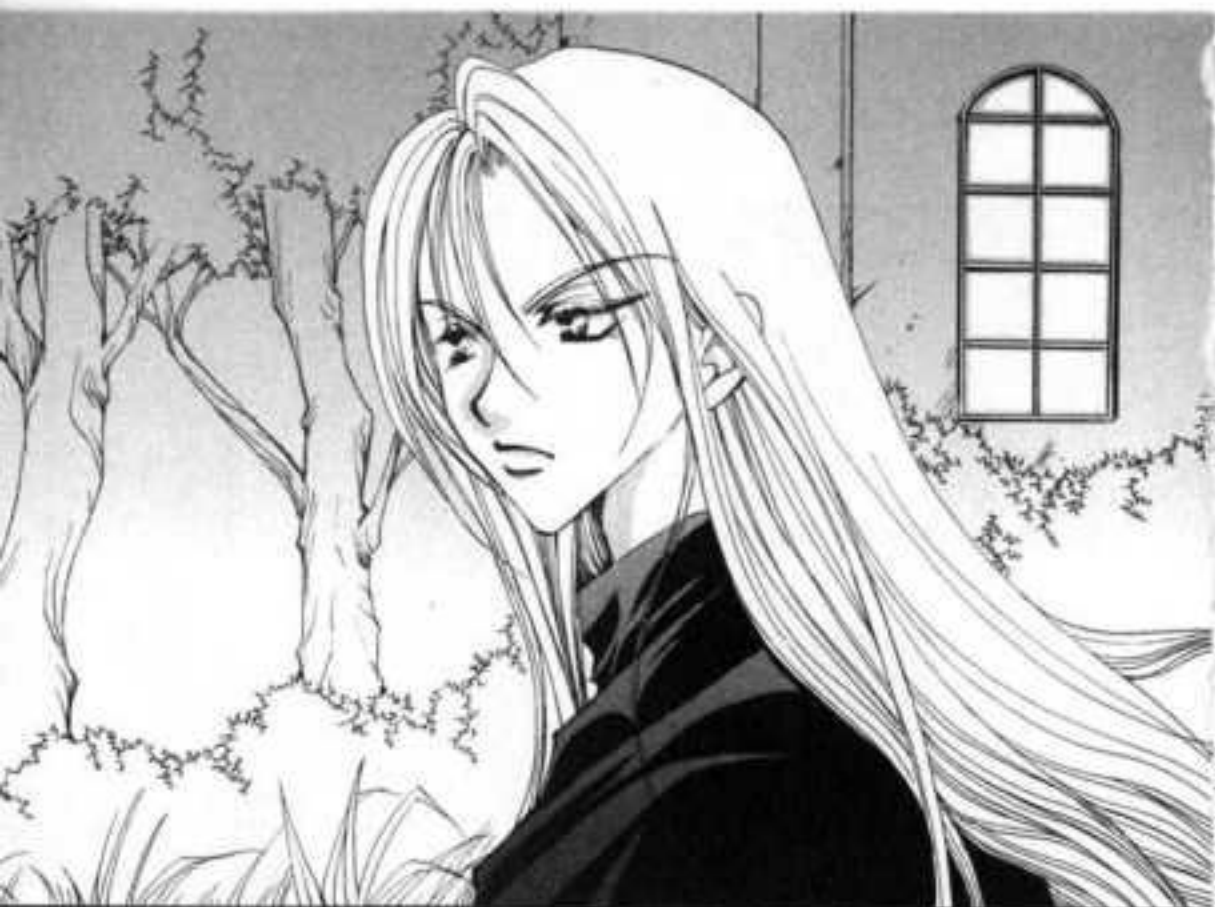


THAT'S
NOT
TRUE!



ALL I
WANTED
WAS TO SEE
MY SON
JUST ONCE
MORE...I
DIDN'T
MEAN TO
START
A WAR...

THIS
IS ALL MY
FAULT.
EVERY-
THING IS
MY FAULT.



IF I GO THERE, THE CHARMS WILL PROBABLY KEEP ME FROM BEING ABLE TO HELP ISHTAR IF SHE GETS IN TROUBLE.

...ISHTAR WILL BE CRUSHED.

BUT IF I JUST LEAVE VORD THERE AND SOMETHING HAPPENS TO HIM...



SO THEY MOVED VORD TO THE NORTH TOWER.

THAT'S NOT GOOD.



WHAT I NEVER UNDERSTOOD ...

...ABOUT THE LEGEND, WAS WHY HE WANTED ...



GO ON.

...TO BE REBORN A CENTURY LATER.





WE
FEAR OUR
LORD SHARLEN
HAS TAKEN LEAVE
OF HIS SENSES. THE
MOLDERING MIND
OF THAT HUMAN IS
POISONING
HIM.



HAIL KING
DUZELL!
GREATEST
OF ALL
VAMPIRES!



SHARLEN'S
PUPPETS...




DID
YOU
COME
HERE
TO DIE?

HELLO,
GIRLS.







YOUR
TIMING IS
GOOD.



I COULD
USE YOUR
HELP.



WHY DID
MY GREAT-
GRANDFATHER
WANT TO
BE REBORN
100 YEARS
LATER?



SO YOU'VE
BETRAYED
ME, AND
NOW YOU'RE
BETRAYING
SHARLEN
...



WE
WISH TO
SERVE YOU
ONCE MORE.

ONCE, WE
WERE PROUD
TO SERVE
UNDER YOUR
BANNER, MY
KING.

He doesn't remember.

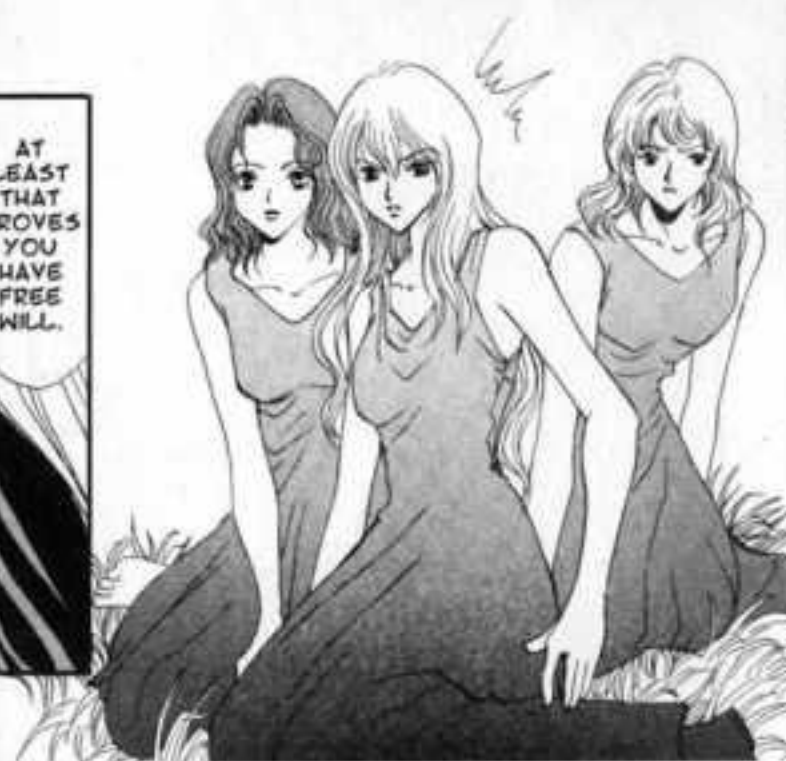


YOU
USED
TO
SERVE
ME?



AT
LEAST
THAT
PROVES
YOU
HAVE
FREE
WILL.

YOU'RE
MUCH MORE
THAN PUP-
PETS. MORE
THAN JUST
DOLLS.



...AND
PHELIOS'
WISH ARE
ALL THE
SAME...

IF THAT'S
TRUE, THEN
IN A WAY,
DUZELL'S
WISH, MY
WISH...

THAT'S
ENOUGH!



...JUST TO
DEFEAT THE
VAMPIRE KING
DUZELL. DON'T
YOU FIND
IT A LITTLE
STRANGE...

...TO
SACRIFICE
YOURSELF
TO SAVE
YOUR
FAMILY AND
COUNTRY
...

IT'S
A SAD
FATE
...

...THAT HE
WANTED TO BE
REBORN JUST
TO DO IT ALL
OVER AGAIN?
ISN'T THAT A
LITTLE SELFISH?
TO CONTINUE
THAT HORRIBLE
SPIRAL?

さわ

さわ



WHAT
I NEVER
UNDERSTOOD
ABOUT
THE LEGEND,
WAS WHY
ST. PHELIOS
WANTED TO BE
REBORN
A CENTURY
LATER?

WHAT IF...

...I WERE
MY GREAT
GRAND-
FATHER

IF...

...I'D
WANT TO
BE REBORN
JUST TO
SEE HOW MY
LOVED ONES
ARE DOING.

WHAT
IF...

...I WERE
MY GREAT
GRANDFATHER?



I JUST
WANTED
TO SEE MY
SON ONCE
MORE...



TO SEE
YOUR
FAMILY
AGAIN?



SHUT
UP, YOU
WALKING
CORPSE!



...IF
I WERE
TO DIE
HERE IN
RAZENIA
...

I WON-
DER
...



THAT'S
ALL I'D
WANT.

TO
BE ABLE
TO SEE
MY FAMILY
AGAIN.

吸血遊戲

主都篇

Act.17



BUT I
COULDN'T
CHANGE
ANY OF
THAT.

PRINCESS
ISHTAR!
THAT'S
ENOUGH!



EVEN IF
DUZIE WAS
UGLY...

...KELD
WAS
BATTY...

...AND
DARRES
AND SELEN
WERE TO-
GETHER
...



WHAT
IF DUZIE
GREW UP
TO BE
REALLY
UGLY?

WOULD
KELD
EVENTU-
ALLY
GO COM-
PLETELY
BATTY?

...HOW
DARRES,
KELD,
DUZIE AND
EVERYONE
ELSE
...

...WOULD
GET ALONG
IF I WERE
GONE.



AND
BOY...I'D
BE SO
PISSED IF
DARRES
MARRIED
SELEN.



WHAT?
SELEN
AND
DARRES?



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...
REALLY
MY
SON.



EVERYONE,
LISTEN TO
ME... THIS
IS A ROYAL
PROCLA-
MATION

PRINCE
VORD OF
PHELIO-
STA IS...



VORD...
MY SON...

KING!



DON'T LET ANYONE KNOW THEIR SECRET, AND KEEP THEM ON YOU AT ALL TIMES.

THESE LIKE RINGS ARE NOT AS POWERFUL AS SOME OTHERS, BUT THEY'RE STILL VERY PRECIOUS.

THEY CAN TAKE YOU ANYWHERE THAT YOU CAN PICTURE IN YOUR MIND. BUT YOU CAN ONLY USE IT ONCE.



THANKS, MOM...

ONLY USE IT WHEN YOU'RE AT THE END OF YOUR ROPE.



LOOKS LIKE I'M KIND OF STUCK HERE. WHAT TO DO NEXT?

WHERE SHOULD I GO?



BUT I'VE ONLY GOT ONE CHANCE WITH THIS BAD BOY.

I COULD ALWAYS PLAY MY TRUMP CARD.



BUT NOW
THAT YOU'RE
HERE, ALL THE
SPEECHES I'D
REHEARSED
IN MY HEAD
SEEM SILLY.

PRINCE...
ER...
SON...
BEFORE
YOU
CAME
HERE...

...THERE
WERE SO
MANY
THINGS I
WANTED
TO SAY
TO YOU.

I'M
HAPPY JUST
TO BE HERE
WITH YOU.

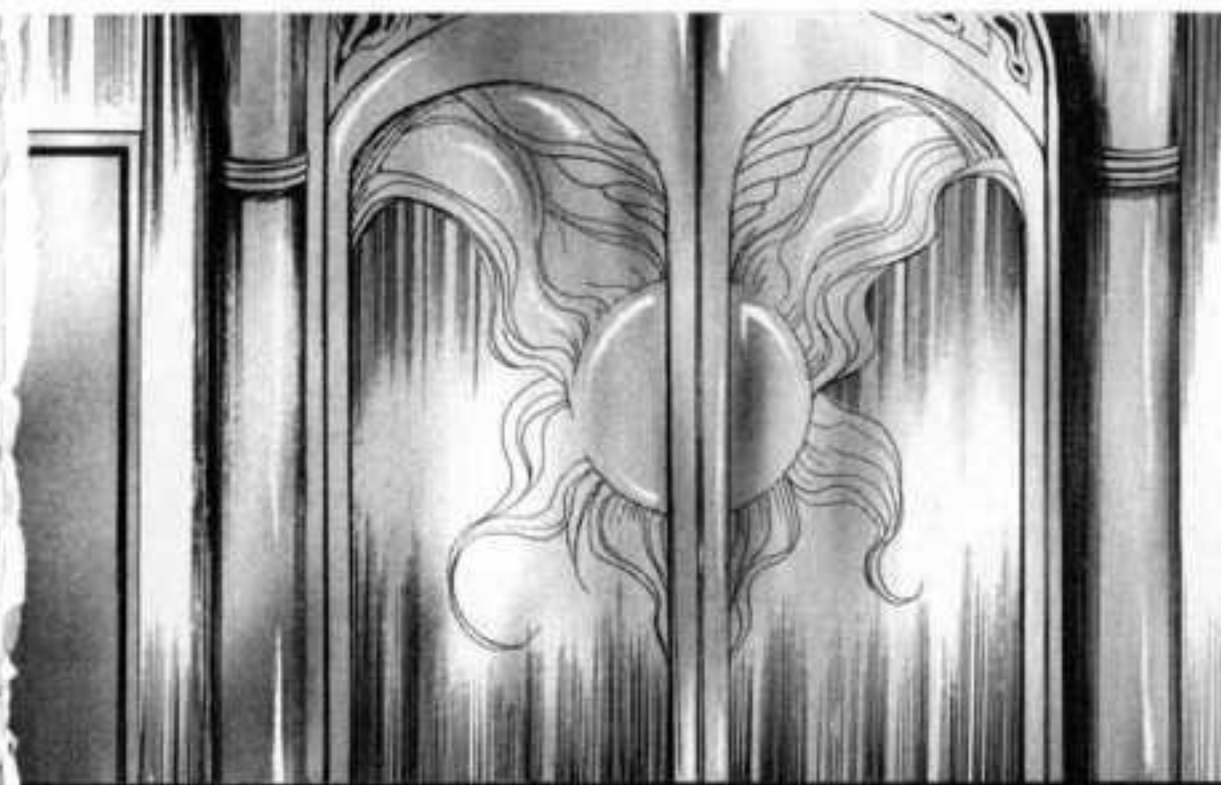


I WONDER
IF I WAS
TALKING TO
THE REAL KING
OF RAZENIA,
OR TO
WHOEVER IS
PULLING HIS
STRINGS.

I'VE GOT
A FEELING
I MIGHT
NEVER
KNOW.



DUZELL
SAID THAT
THE KING IS
POSSESSED
BY SOME-
ONE ELSE.





WHY, HELLO,
ILL-SAIDE. I
TRUST YOU'LL
HAVE MORE
SENSE THAN
TO INTERFERE
WITH MY
AFFAIRS.



SHARLEN
TOLD ME
THAT IF I
KNEW WHAT
WAS GOOD
FOR ME, I'D
DISAPPEAR.
BUT...

...I
COULDN'T.



"MY DEAR
LORD
LASSEN"?
WHAT'S
GOING ON
HERE?

NOT ONLY
DUZELL,
BUT ALSO
SHARLEN,
HUME...

IT'S DIFFICULT TO
DESCRIBE
WHAT I'M
FEELING,
BUT I LIKE
YOU ALL.

...AND
EVEN YOU,
LASSEN.



HEH
HEH!



LORD
LASSEN!
YOU
PROM-
ISED
NOT
TO SAY
ANY-
THING!

BESIDES,
I HAD NO
IDEA THAT
HUME AND
SHARLEN
WERE FALL-
ING FOR
YOU!

GO
GET 'EM,
TIGER!



IT'S
TOO MUCH
FUN NOT
TO GET
INVOLVED
IN SOME-
THING THIS
BIG.



WHAT
ABOUT
SHAR-
LEN?



SPEAKING
OF SHARLEN, I
WANTED TO TALK
TO YOU ABOUT
HIM.





吸血遊戲
主都篇
Act.18





THAT
LOOKS LIKE
DUZELL DOWN
THERE!

WHAT'S
HE DOING SO FAR
FROM ISHTAR?!
HE MUST HAVE
A PRETTY GOOD
REASON FOR
LEAVING HER
ALONE.



OH.

HE'S
COMING
TO RESCUE
ME.



MY
DEAR...

...LORD
LASSEN...

YOUR
TRAP IS
SET, AND
YOUR
QUARRY
HAS TAKEN
THE BAIT.

I CAN'T LET
MYSELF BE
USED AS
BAIT OR A
BARGAINING
CHIP!

I GOT
MYSELF INTO
THIS MESS.
AND I'LL GET
MYSELF OUT
OF IT!

CONSIDERING
THE CIRCUM-
STANCES...

...EVEN IF IT IS
A ONE-SHOT,
I DON'T HAVE
MUCH OF A
CHOICE!

ANYWAY,
ALL I HAVE
TO DO IS
USE THIS.



YES,
LORD.



SHARLEN
WAS
RIGHT.

IT'D BE
BEST IF
YOU DIDN'T
GET MIXED
UP IN
ALL THIS.
PLEASE
GO. NOW.



EXCEL-
LENT.



HUME,
PLEASE TAKE
MY MESSAGE
TO ISHTAR.



NO
HARD
FEEL-
INGS!

SO BE IT,
THEN.



BUT
LASSEN

WHEN
I'VE
DEFEATED
DUZELL
AND
ISHTAR...

...I WILL
COUNT
ON YOUR
SUPPORT.

...
?!
...

...WHAT IF
ISHTAR
COMES
OUT ON
TOP?



THEN...

...JOIN
HER SIDE.
THAT'S
WHAT I'D
DO.



SHARLEN

MY
PRECIOUS
SHARLEN...

THIS IS
SOMETHING

...THAT
I MUST
DO.



IF I WERE
MY GREAT
GRAND-
FATHER

THAT'S
ALL I'D
WANT.

TO BE
ABLE TO
SEE MY
FAMILY
AGAIN.

...I'D
WANT TO BE
REBORN JUST
TO SEE HOW
MY LOVED
ONES ARE
DOING.





HEY THERE,
ISH! LONG
TIME NO
SEE!



YOU!



STUNNED!



YES.
IT'S
TRUE.

CAT'S OUT
OF THE
BAG NOW.

VORD'S
GONNA BE
PISSSED.



OOPS.



BE-
CAUSE
OVER
THAT
DOOR
...

OH NO,
MY DEAR.
DON'T LOOK
UP...



VORD?
ARE YOU
IN THERE?



THEY'VE
GOT
DUZELL?



EASY
WITH THAT
SWORD, BIG
FELLA! RE-
MEMBER WHAT
HAPPENED TO
THE LAST CAT
THAT DREW HIS
BLADE IN
HERE?

LORD
LASSEN WANTED
ME TO TELL
YOU THAT WE'VE
GOT VORD AND
DUZELL. HE'D
LIKE A WORD
WITH YOU.





LIKE
WHAT I'VE
DONE WITH
THE PLACE?
I'VE ADDED
EVERY WARDING
RUELLE I COULD
SCRATCH UP
TO THIS
TOWER'S
ALREADY
IMPRESSIVE
COLLECTION.





AND
BY DAWN,
YOU MIGHT
JUST BE WEAK
ENOUGH THAT
IT'D BE A FAIR
FIGHT.



.....
!!



EITHER
WAY, BY
MORNING
ISHTAR WILL
BE TAKEN
CARE OF.



IT
WAS A TRAP.
DAMN!



IF YOU
THOUGHT
YOUR WALL
HANGINGS
WERE GOING
TO TAKE ME
OUT, THINK
AGAIN!



BUT
STILL,
YOU'RE
TRAPPED,
AREN'T
YOU?



I
KNEW IT
WOULDN'T
BE THAT
EASY TO
FINISH OFF
A VAMPIRE
KING.

吸血遊戲
王都篇
Act.19

La Naan Castle



THEN
WE'LL SEE
WHAT WE CAN
DO ABOUT
FULFILLING
PHELIOS'
PROPHECY.



ISHTAR!!

DUZELL
AND
DARRES
CAN TAKE
CARE OF
LASSEN
AND HIS
CREEPY
FANS.



I
CAN'T
WORRY
ABOUT THE
MIL SEII
FORCE
NOW.

THERE'S
NOTHING I
CAN DO THAT
ASHLEY
CAN'T.



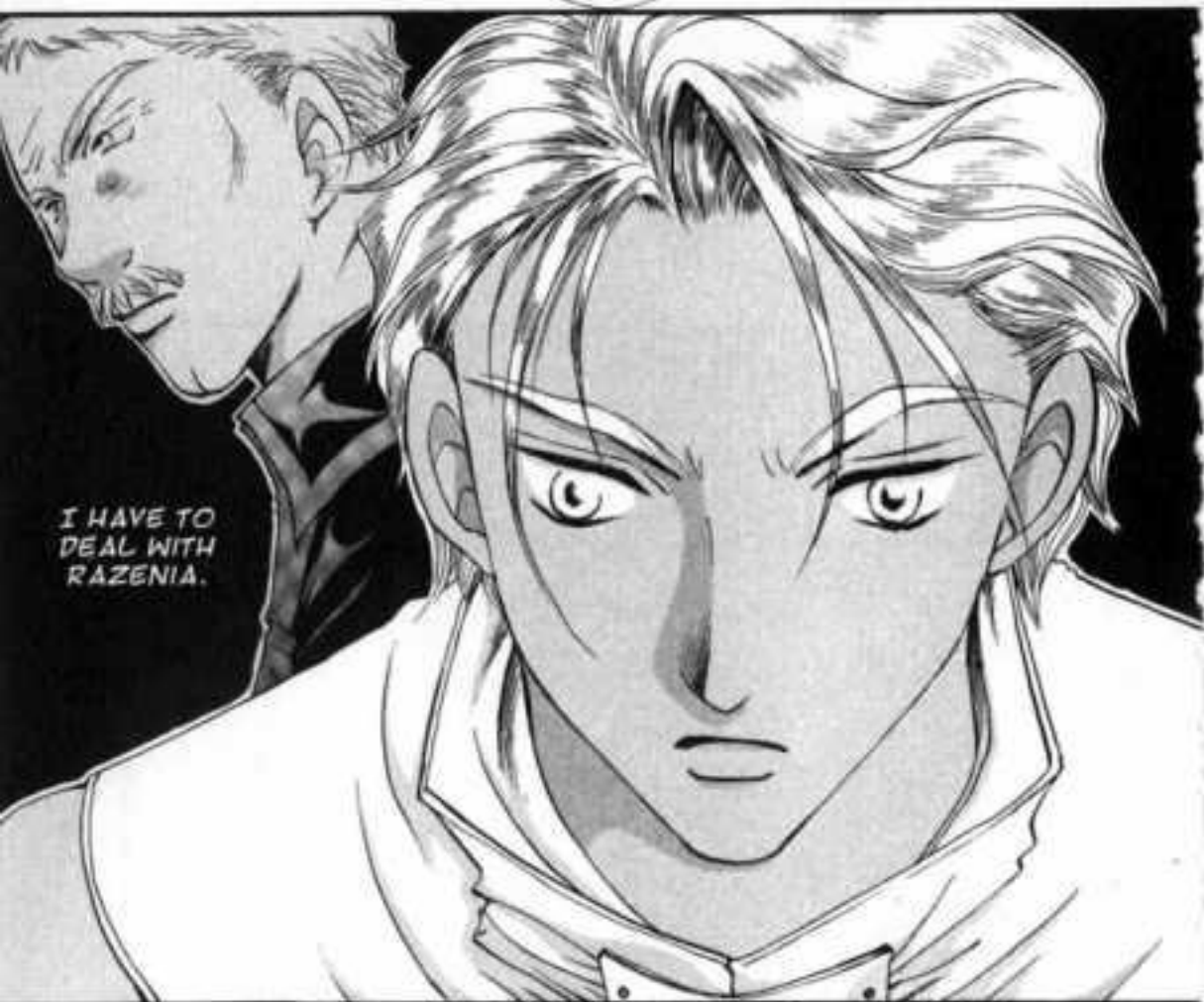
COULD
BE
WORSE.



WHAT'S
THE LATEST
WITH MIL
SEII'S
ARMY?
WHERE
IS IT?

SORRY
BRO, BUT
I DON'T
HAVE A
LOT OF
TIME TO
TALK.

I NEED
YOUR LILKE
RING AND
SEILIEZ'S!



I HAVE TO
DEAL WITH
RAZENIA.



WOW.



LAST WE HEARD,
ASHLEY HAD
TAKEN OVER
COMMAND OF THE
ROYAL GUARD
AND THEY'D
OUTMANEUVERED
THE MIL SEII
FORCE.

BUT
ASHLEY
IS GRAVELY
OUTNUMBERED.
I DON'T KNOW
HOW MUCH
LONGER THEY
CAN HOLD
OUT.



Razenia, the North Tower







DARRES STILL THINKS ALL THE DUZELLS ARE DIFFERENT!

IT'S TOO COMPLICATED TO EXPLAIN IN THE MIDDLE OF A FIGHT.





I HAVE
SOMETHING
TO TELL
YOU.

THERE
ARE SO
MANY THINGS
I WANT
TO SHARE
WITH YOU,
DARRES...



JUST
SOMETHING
I HAVE TO
SAY.

IT'S
NOT A
STORY.



?!



IF
WE MAKE IT
THROUGH
ALL THIS...

...I HAVE
SO MANY
THINGS TO
TELL YOU,
DARRES!



ALL THE
PLACES
DUZIE AND I
WENT, AND
WHAT WE
TALKED
ABOUT...

...AND
HOW WE
FOOLED
YOU EVERY
TIME!



WHAT DO
YOU MEAN
THEY'RE GOING
TO SAVE ME?
WHAT FOR?







...FOR
MAKING YOU
HIS TOOL! HIS
WEAPON!
I SWEAR IT!

NO
ONE BUT
THE HEALERS
ARE TO ENTER!
NOT EVEN YOU,
PRINCE!

HALT!



YOU
SEE,
SHARLEN,
HE WOULD
SACRIFICE
HIMSELF
...

...TO PROTECT
THE ONES
HE LOVES
AGAINST THE
VAMPIRE
KING. I CAN
DO NO
LESS.

MOM! DON'T
DO THIS!
DON'T LET
HIM DO THIS
TO YOU!

...AND I'LL
BE THERE
TO KILL
HIM...

YOUR
FATHER
WILL BE
BACK TO
SEE HOW
YOU'VE
GROWN
UP...





WELL,
EITHER
WAY, THIS
WILL ALL
BE OVER
SOON.



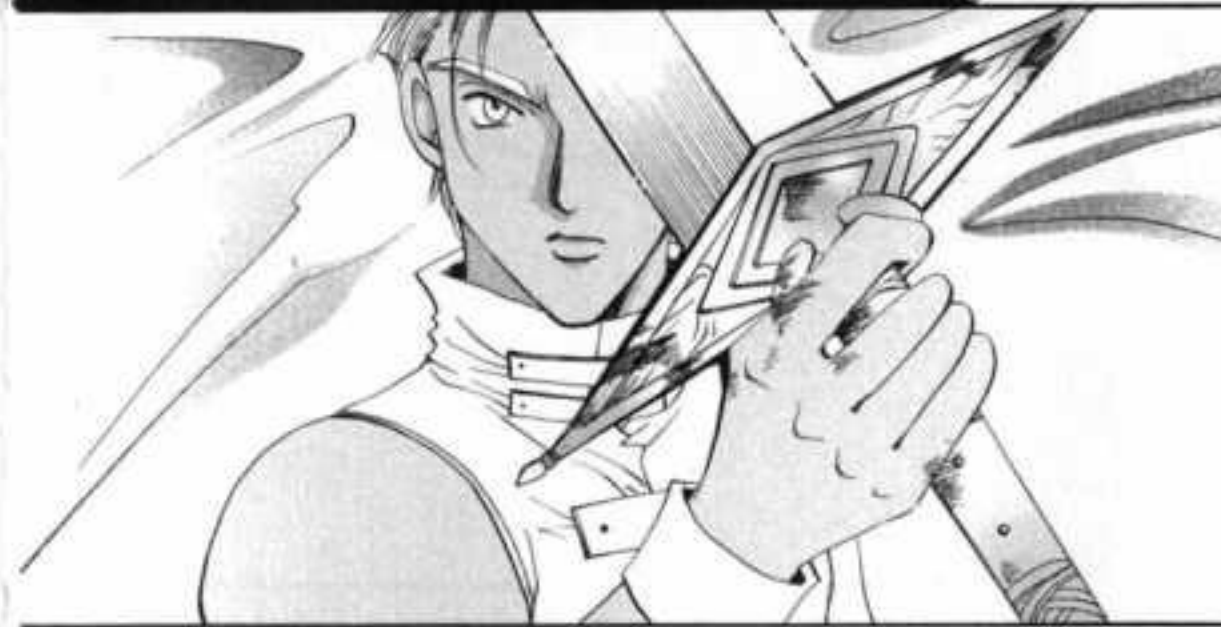
THIS
BODY'S
JUST
ABOUT
DONE.



SIDIA,
AWAKE!



WHAT A
CLEVER
BOY.





...WHETHER
YOU KILL
ME, OR I
KILL YOU!

OF
COURSE
YOU
REALIZE
...

...THAT THE
SAME THING'S
GOING TO
HAPPEN...



DIDN'T
YUUJEL
TELL YOU
THAT? BEFORE
I KILLED HIM,
THAT IS?



I DON'T
CARE ABOUT
FINDING PHELIOS'
REINCARNATION
ANYMORE.

IF VORD KILLS
ME NOW,
RAZENIA'S
ARMY WILL
LEVEL
PHELIOSTA.

VORD AND
PHELIOS' OTHER
DESCENDENTS
WILL BE
EXECUTED.



THEN...



DIE,
VAMPIRE-
DAD-
GUY!

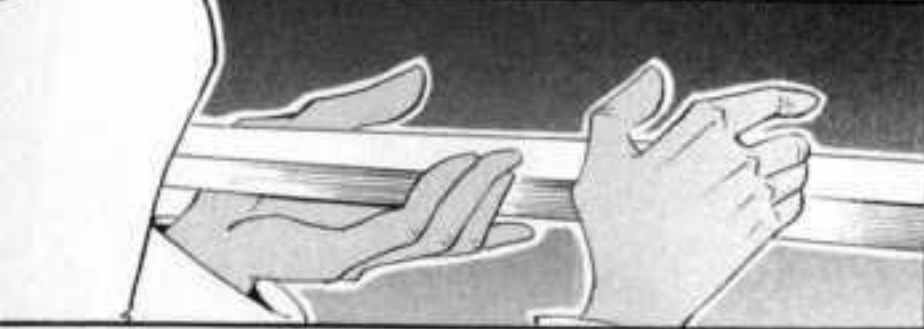




PLEASE FORGIVE ME. PLEASE FORGIVE YOUR POOR, OLD FATHER.



HIGH-NESS, NO!!



THIS COULD BE ANOTHER VAMPIRE TRICK...



HEY, YOU'RE THE KING OF RAZENIA AGAIN, AREN'T YOU?!



SON...



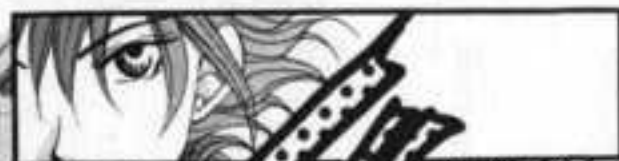
I'M SO HAPPY I GOT TO SEE YOU AGAIN.



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主都篇
Act.20







HE'S
AMAZING!

110
110
110
110



MIGHT
AS WELL
GET IT
OVER
WITH.

IT'S
GOT TO BE
A TRAP, BUT I
DON'T KNOW
WHAT OTHER
CHOICE WE
HAVE.

HUME
SAID THEY
WERE AT
THE TOP.

NO
SIGN OF
LASSEN
SO FAR.





I DON'T
HAVE A
FANCY
TITLE.

BESIDES



?!
.....



What's...?



FUNNY,
HE
DOESN'T
LOOK
MUCH LIKE
A VAM-
PIRE...



What's...?



NO...
HE'S A
MONSTER!

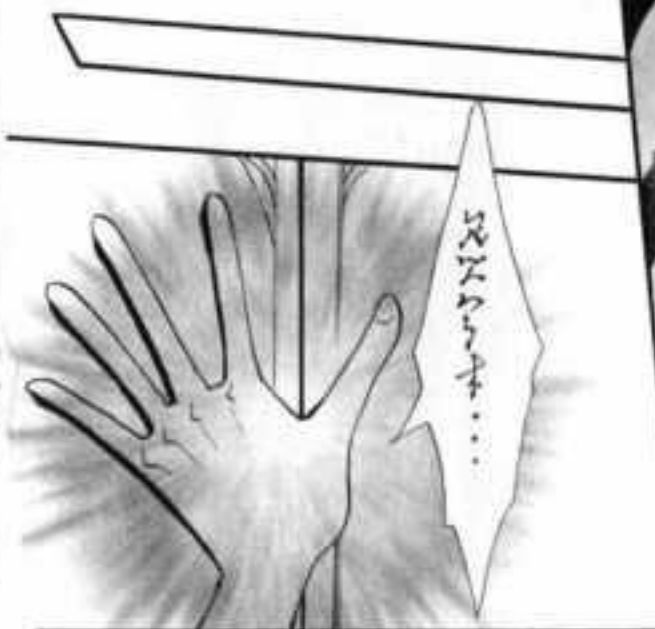


ARE
YOU A
VAMPIRE
LORD?

WHAT
IS YOUR
NAME?
YOUR
TITLE?



ISHTAR IS IN DANGER AND THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT IT!





IT'S A
NEAT TRICK.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S
PART MONSTER,
HE USES HUMAN
MAGIC TO MAKE
IT RAIN, AMPLIFY-
ING HIS WATER
MAGIC.

IT WAS
CLEAR OUT
EARLIER.
IT MUST
BE ILL-
SAIDE...

RAIN...?



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THESE
RUELLES
CANCEL EVERY
ONE OF MY
SPELLS! IT'S
ALL I CAN DO
JUST TO STAY
ALIVE!

IT'S
NO
GOOD
...

BY
DAWN,
I'LL BE
WEAK AS
A KITTEN
...





THERE'S NO WAY I CAN OUTFIGHT HIM!







うんうん!!





WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH DUZELL AND VORD?!

NO MORE GAMES, LASSEN!!

THE HUMAN YOU CALL VORD IS GONE. I ASSUME HE'S HIDING SOMEWHERE NEARBY...



HIDING? THAT'S NOT LIKE VORD ...

?!



LORD DUZELL, HOWEVER ...

...IS RIGHT THROUGH THAT DOOR.



YOU'RE EARLY.



I THOUGHT ...



...HUME WOULD HAVE SLOWED YOU DOWN.



ALTHOUGH
HE'S GROW-
ING WEAKER
EVERY HOUR
HE SPENDS
IN THERE...

...BUT I'D
NEED SIDIA
TO FINISH
HIM OFF.

I
FIGURED
OUT HOW
TO HOLD
HIM IN
THERE
...

...WE STILL
HAVE SOME
THINGS TO
WORK OUT,
OL' DUZELL
AND ME.

...TO
SNUFF HIM
WITHOUT HAVING
TO USE THE LA
GAMME SPELL.
BUT DESPERATE
TIMES CALL FOR
DESPERATE
MEASURES.

I'M
HOPING
...





WHY
WOULD
YOU NEED
THE LA
GAMME
SPELL
TO KILL
DUZELL
...?



HE'S
GOING
TO
KILL
DUZIE!!



WAIT A
SECOND...



YOU'LL
TOUCH
DUZIE
OVER
MY DEAD
BODY!



PRINCESS,
IS
DUZELL
REALLY--



AND SO
WE HAVE
COME TO
THIS.

ARE
YOU
READY
...



THANK
YOU,
DARRÉS.



...I'LL
FIGHT
FOR BOTH
OF YOU.



I
DON'T
CARE
WHO HE
REALLY
IS...

...IF YOU
WANT TO
PROTECT
HIM...



吸血遊戲
主節篇
Act.21

THAT'S
NOT HER
JOB.

ISHTAR'S
LIFE IS IN
DANGER
BECAUSE
I WALKED
INTO THIS
RIDICULOUS
TRAP.

I CAN'T
LET HER
SACRIFICE
HERSELF
FOR ME.

THANK
YOU,
DARRES...



THANK
YOU,
ISHTAR!!

I DON'T
CARE WHO
HE REALLY IS,
IF YOU WANT
TO PROTECT
HIM...

...I'LL
FIGHT FOR
BOTH OF
YOU.





LASSEN,
WHAT'S
THIS IN-
CENSE
DO?!!

WHY
ARE ALL
THESE
WINDOWS
SHUTTERED?

TO KEEP
THE NIGHT
AIR OUT?
OR TO
KEEP THIS
INCENSE
IN?



DARRES!!



あはは...

DON'T
WORRY,
PRINCESS.
I'M SURE
SIR KELD
HAS MADE
SURE

...THAT
YOU'RE
IMMUNE
TO THIS
PRIMITIVE
POISON.

IT'S
POISON
?!



I WAS
WONDER-
ING WHEN
YOU'D
CATCH
ON.



AND
WHY ARE
THOSE VAMPS
JUST WATCHING
THE FIGHT?



ARE THESE
RUELLES
KEEPING
LASSEN
FROM
USING HIS
MAGIC?



WHAT'S
THAT?



WILL
THEY
JUMP IN
IF THINGS
START
TO TURN
AGAINST
LASSEN?



I SHOULD
HAVE KNOWN
WHEN THE
RAIN AMPLIFIED
HIS POWER
THAT HE'S
A WATER
MONSTER!



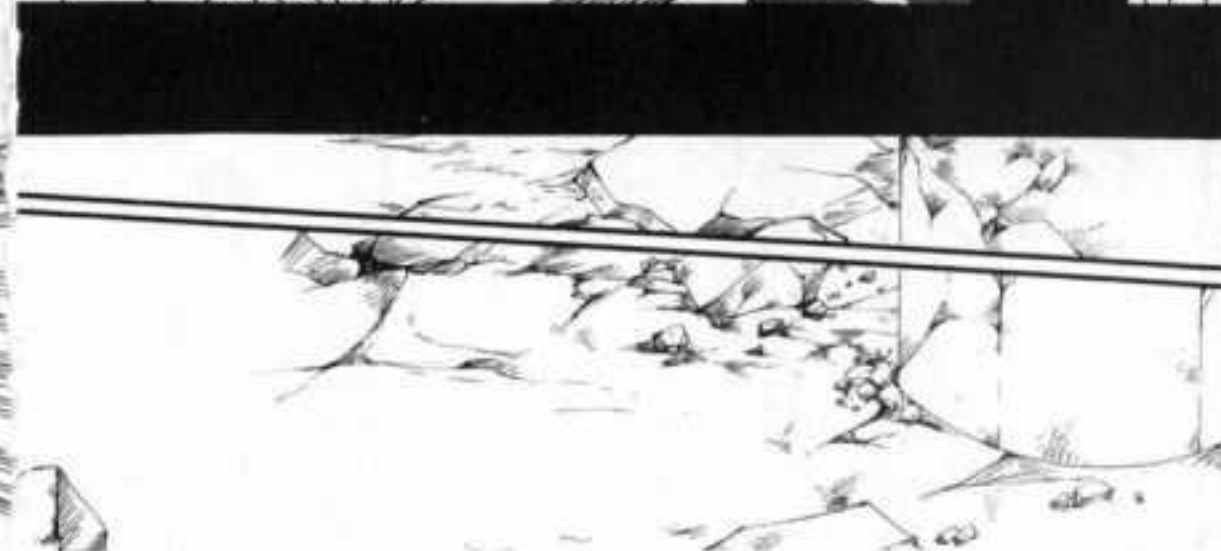
I FEEL
KIND
OF BAD
TRICKING
HIM LIKE
THAT.



BUT, ALL'S
FAIR IN
LOVE AND
WAR.



THAT
LAST SPELL
BLINDSIDED
HIM! HE
SEEMS TO
BE UNCON-
SCIOUS.



YOU
FOUGHT
WELL,
MONSTER!
BUT NOW
YOU DIE!







LORD PUZELL
SAID WE HAD
FREE WILL

...THAT
WE WERE
MORE
THAN
JUST HIS
DOLLS.



?!

THAT
IS HOW
I EXERCISE
MY FREE
WILL.



?

WHAT
ARE
YOU
SAY-
ING?



I
WILL
SERVE MY
KING ONE
LAST TIME.
IN HIS
HOUR OF
NEED,
I WILL
DELIVER
HIM.



AS
WILL
I.

I
AS
WELL.

I
WILL.

ME,
TOO.

ME,
TOO.



WHO
WILL
SERVE
WITH
ME?



I
DON'T
KNOW
...



TOUGHER
THAN
ME.

HE'S
TOUGH!



BUT...



OH NO! IS
HE WAKING
UP?! THIS
IS MY LAST
CHANCE!



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WHERE DID
HE COME
FROM?



I HAVE TO BE
CAREFUL...



...NOT
TO WAKE
OUR SLEEP-
ING TIGER!
THERE'S
NO WAY I
COULD HAN-
DLE BOTH
OF THEM!







I'LL TRY.



...COVER HER WHILE SHE OPENS THE DOOR!! I'LL TAKE IT FROM THERE!



IF WE MAKE IT THROUGH THIS, YOU'VE GOT A WHOLE LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO...



WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?

YOU'RE BACKING A LOSING TEAM!



AND YOU'LL DESTROY EVERYTHING WE'VE WORKED FOR THESE LAST 100 YEARS!

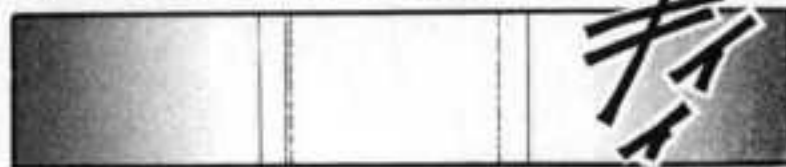
OPEN THAT DOOR



DARRES



YOU'RE
ALL DEAD.
YOU JUST
DON'T KNOW
IT YET.



Razenia Castle



I
HATE WAITING
AROUND LIKE
THIS! I FEEL
SO USELESS!

I
DON'T
KNOW HOW
MUCH LONGER
I CAN HOLD
ON...

THAT POISON
INCENSE IS
STARTING
TO GET
TO ME...



I'VE
GOT YOUR
BACK.

OPEN
IT!

HURRY!



あー...
うー...
...



FINE.

LET HIM
OUT.





...WAS GOING TO TRY AND TELEPORT INTO THE THICK OF THINGS!

HE PROBABLY ...



IT'S A LIKE RING.

HE HAD THIS IN HIS HAND.



I WATCHED
ISHTAR STUDY-
ING THIS SPELL
SO MANY
TIMES THAT
IT'S BEEN
BURNED IN
MY BRAIN.

ME,
NEITHER.

WOW
...

DUZELL!

BUT
I DIDN'T
THINK I
COULD
ACTUALLY
USE IT.

I WONDER
IF IT HAS
SOME-
THING TO
DO WITH
THOSE
RUELLES
DAMPENING
MY OTHER
POWERS...

I
HAD NO
IDEA THAT
A VAMPIRE
COULD USE
HOLY MAGIC.
LEARN
SOMETHING
NEW EVERY
DAY.

YOU
DO
REALIZE
...

...THAT
HOLY MAGIC IS
WHOLLY USE-
LESS AGAINST
HUMANS LIKE
MYSELF.

HE'S
USING HOLY
MAGIC?!

YAAAAIEEE!!

WE
HAVE TO
CLOSE
THAT
DOOR!

THE
RUELLES IN
THERE WON'T
LET US USE
OUR MAGIC!

!!



YOU'LL
RUIN
EVERY-
THING!

YOU'RE
NOT
SERIOUS,
ARE
YOU?!

DUZELL!
STOP! IT'S
NOT WORTH
IT!



NOT
TRUE.
THERE'S
ONE
SPELL...



Oh no! No! ...

THE SPELL OF "LA
GAMME"... THE ONE
THAT TOOK PHELIOS
AND ME OUT LAST
TIME AROUND, THAT
WOULD WORK...

I HAD
PLENTY
OF TIME TO
THINK IN THAT
ROOM.

DUZIE!
NO!



...IS TO
LOVE AND
TO BE
LOVED.



BUT HER
HEART
ALREADY
BELONGS
TO AN-
OTHER.



ISHTAR
TOLD
ME SHE
LOVES
ME...

...AND
THAT HER
LOVE FOR
ME HAS
GROWN.

I
DON'T
BELIEVE
YOU.

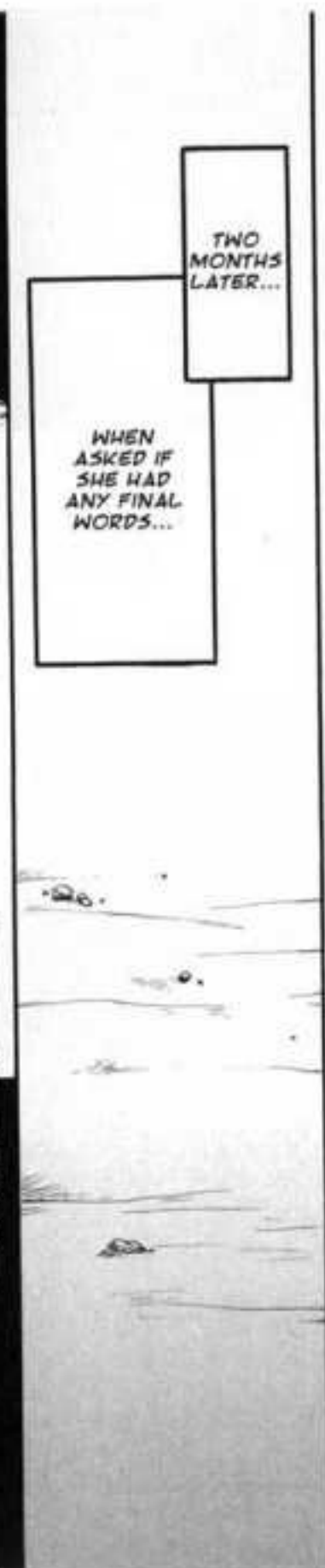
...I
REALIZE
THAT
WHAT IS
IMPOR-
TANT...



MOST
OF ALL



I
KNOW
SHE'LL GIVE
BIRTH TO
PHELIOS'
REINCARNATION...





MOTHER, I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT YOUR GIFT TO HER HIGHNESS.

I'M SURE YOU COULD MANAGE TO KNOCK UP A TART OR TWO IF YOU PUT YOUR MIND TO IT!

SEILIEZ! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE MARRIED TO HAVE A BABY!

YOU TOO, LAPHIJI! I WANT SOME GRAND-CHILDREN! PRONTO!

I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO FALL IN LOVE WITH ANYONE! JUST HAVE A BABY!

Laphiji of La Naan (24 years old)

YOU TURNED DOWN CI XENETH...

...AND ALL THE MARRIAGES I ARRANGED FOR YOU! THERE WERE EVEN SOME NICE GIRLS IN THERE!

HEY, MOM! WHAT'S WITH ALL THE TENSION?

... "I RESPECT THE FIGHTING MEN OF RAZENIA."

HE SAID SOMETHING STRANGE LIKE...

HE DIDN'T LOOK MORE THAN 20, BUT HIS MAGIC WAS MORE POWERFUL THAN ANY WIZARD I'VE EVER SEEN!

HE WAS INCREDIBLE!

COULD IT BE?

I HAVE THREE SONS WHO ARE OLDER THAN SHE IS!

AND I'M STILL NOT A GRANDMOTHER!

La Naan Castle

Seiliez of La Naan (26 years old)

ISHTAR'S GIVEN BIRTH!

LOOK, VORD IS MARRIED. WHY DON'T YOU HASSLE HIM?

NOT AGAIN!



IF ONLY SHE HAD HAD A GIRL...

...WE COULD HAVE MARRIED HER TO OUR SON.



LEENE, ARE YOU PLANNING HIS FUTURE ALREADY?!

Ashley of Zi Alda (29 years old)



Leene, First Lady of Zi Alda (29 years old)

SO THE ROYAL HOUSE HAS AN HEIR...



...AND NO SON OF MINE WOULD BE CAUGHT DEAD WITH A GIRL LIKE THAT! ISHTAR WAS ALWAYS A TOMBOY ANYWAY.



YOU'RE RIGHT.

IF SHE HAD A GIRL, SHE'D PROBABLY TURN OUT JUST LIKE HER MOTHER...



...HE NEVER LEFT EVEN ONE CHILD BEHIND...

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT WITH ALL OF LORD YUUJEL'S FLINGS...



.....



VORD!

King Vord of Razenia (23 years old)



Queen Falan of Razenia (22 years old)

DID YOU HEAR THE GOOD NEWS?

WE BROUGHT YOU THESE SWEETS FROM RAZENIA'S BEST BAKERY, MOM!

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO? WHERE'S YOUR BABY? GET BUSY!

THERE'S BEEN AN ADDITION TO THE FAMILY!



NO WAY.

BUT I'M JUST AFRAID MY WIFE WILL STOP TAKING CARE OF ME IF SHE'S GOT A BABY TO WORRY ABOUT!

WE'RE WORKING ON IT!



Zi Alda



Just kidding Mom!

VORD!!
BABY!
NOW!



General
Darres of
Pheliosta
(32 years
old)

SURE HAVE!
BUT WE'RE
GOING WITH
PHELIOS AND
DUZELL.
NATCH!



Queen Ishtar
of Pheliosta
(20 years
old)

...BUT
THOSE
TWO
JUST
FIT!

WELL,
WE
KICKED
AROUND
SOME
OTHER
NAMES
...

*You
remember!
I guess you're
not savvy
after all.*

REMEMBER
WHEN YOU
PICKED UP
THAT WILDCAT
YEARS AGO?
YOU SAID
THE SAME
RIDICULOUS
THING!

BE
SERIOUS,
YOUR
MAJESTY!



WHAT
ARE
YOU
TALK-
ING
ABOUT?!

IF
YUUJEL
HAD A
BASTARD
SON, I'D WAIT
TILL HE WAS
GROWN UP,
AND RUN
OFF WITH
HIM!



IF
HE HAD,
AND
IF HIS
CHILD
WAS A
GIRL...

...MAYBE
THEN WE
WOULD
MAKE HER
OUR SON'S
FIANCEE.



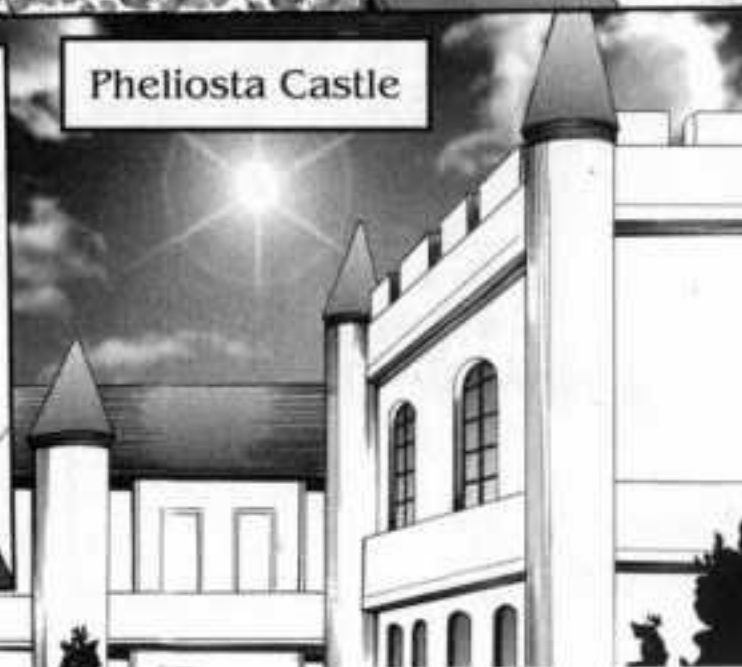
I MISS
HIM SO
MUCH...

JUST
KIDDING.



YOUR
MAJESTY,
HAVE YOU
CONSIDERED
THE NAMES
I SUGGEST-
ED?

Pheliosta Castle





I
THOUGHT
SO, TOO!

I
CAN'T
BELIEVE
HOW LUCKY
YOU ARE! TO
HAVE SUCH
BEAUTIFUL
TWIN BOYS!

THE
ONE WITH
BLACK HAIR
LOOKS JUST
LIKE YOU,
YOUR HIGH-
NESS.



I'M
GUESSING
THEY PROB-
ABLY WON'T
GET ALONG WITH
EACH OTHER,
AND THAT IT'S
GOING TO BE
TROUBLE FROM
HERE ON IN!

THE
BLOND ONE
IS PHELIOS
AND THE
BLACK-
HAired ONE
IS DUZELL.



I
TOLD
DUZIE...



WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?
HOW DO
YOU KNOW
THEY FIT?!



WHICH
REMINDS ME!
IT'S TIME
GALAHAD
AND I CHOSE
OUR OWN
FATE!

General Selen
of Pheliosta
(55 years old)

IT
DOESN'T
MATTER
WHAT YOU
CALL THEM.
A CHILD WILL
CHOOSE HIS
OWN FATE.



MOM!
YOU CAN'T
GO!

BUT
...

WE
WANT TO
RETIRE!
WHAT
DO YOU
NEED TWO
GENERALS
AROUND
FOR ANY-
WAYS?

AFTER
ALL,
DARRES, IT
WAS YOUR
CHOICE
TO STAY
IN THE
MILITARY
INSTEAD OF
BECOMING
KING!



...IT
WAS A
PROMISE...

NO
...

...I WOULD
GIVE BIRTH
TO HIS
REINCARNATION.

IT'S
THE LEAST
I COULD
DO.

...THAT
IF HE
GOT
KILLED
THIS TIME
AROUND...



Thank You!



The Final Farewell...



A Farewell to Pheliosta

So that's it. The last volume of *Vampire Game*. Man, am I ever going to miss it.

I was given *Vampire Game* to edit (first as an associate editor, then as the editor proper) a few weeks after I started at TOKYOPOP, and of all the manga series that have been assigned to me, it's the one I've been on the longest. But when I first started on the title, I never expected it to have the sort of impact on me that it has. *Vampire* books are a dime a dozen, and although I love a good vampire tale as much as the next guy, they all tend to be pretty similar. Think about it. When was the last time you read a vampire book that was truly original?

Heh... That's a dumb question. After all, you're reading one.

Vampire Game is unique. It's a vampire story where the vampire is very much in the background. It's a tale that's full of intrigue, corruption and magic and is set in a fantasy world that can hold its own with Middle Earth, Narnia and Discworld. And yet, *Vampire Game* is no more a fantasy than it is a horror story. It's a coming-of-age comedy. After all, while Duzell's a big part of this story and has a strong influence on the characters in it, this isn't his story. Not really. This is Ishtar's book, and it's about her journey from childhood to adulthood, as she accepts her responsibility as the future ruler of Pheliosta and ascends into her position as Queen. It's a journey that all of us have to make in our own way (though most of us don't have the assistance of a vampire king to help us through it!).

However, as a manga series, *Vampire Game* represents more than just this. As of today, there are more than 40,000 copies of *Vampire Game* Vol. 1 in print. That's not a bad number for a graphic novel, especially considering that *Vampire Game* is the only manga series by Judal to be licensed and reprinted in English (so far) and that it came out at the same time as such highly anticipated and buzzed-about manga titles as *Chobits*, *Love Hina* and *MARS*. When you also consider that *Vampire Game* lacks an accompanying anime (a fact that's nearly criminal in my mind), this number seems downright breathtaking. Over time, this series has been gaining fans, and it's been gaining them through nothing more than good word of mouth.

So what does it mean? Well, to me it demonstrates that it's possible, even in this era of massive marketing campaigns and anime on network TV, for a series without much going for it other than a compelling story and solid artwork to find an audience. Even better, with so many readers just discovering it, it suggests that *Vampire Game* will continue to be read well into the future. And that, my fellow fans, makes it just a little bit easier to say goodbye.

Tim Beadle
Editor
July 2006



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